

Somers

Connecticut

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Belongs to
Tolland County
Hartford Labor Market Area
Capitol Area Economic Dev. Region
Capitol Region Planning Area

Incorporated in 1734

Demographics

				<i>Race/Ethnicity (1998)</i>			
<i>Population (1998)</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>
1980	8,473	114,823	3,107,580	White	8,173	121,939	2,648,212
1990	9,108	128,699	3,287,116	Black	603	2,647	274,213
1998	9,204	131,380	3,271,239	Asian Pacific	107	3,582	73,304
2003	9,428	134,273	3,272,149	Native American	6	231	5,952
'98-'03 Growth	2.43%	2.20%	0.03%	Other	7	85	5,336
				Hispanic (any race)	308	2,896	264,222
Land Area (sq. miles)	28.34	410.08	4,845	<i>Poverty Rate (1990)</i>	1.69%	4.65%	6.61%
Pop./ Sq. Mile (1998)	324.77	320.38	653	<i>Educational Attainment (1990)</i>			
Per Capita Inc. (1998)	\$24,573	\$22,996	\$27,078	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>
Households (1998)	2,889	46,615	1,229,087	High School Graduate	2,077	33.7%	648,366
Median Age (1997)	36.9	34.9	37.2	Some College	1,753	28.5%	495,696
				Bachelors or More	1,374	22.3%	597,693
<i>Age Distribution (1998)</i>							
	<i>0-4</i>	<i>5-17</i>	<i>18-24</i>	<i>25-49</i>	<i>50-64</i>	<i>65+</i>	<i>Total</i>
Male	261 5%	726 15%	608 12%	2,148 43%	774 15%	480 10%	4,997
Female	249 6%	703 17%	368 9%	1,497 36%	777 18%	613 15%	4,207
County Total	8,422 6%	21,710 17%	17,049 13%	51,434 39%	19,201 15%	13,564 10%	131,380
State Total	216,119 7%	550,400 17%	280,101 9%	1,257,928 38%	499,093 15%	467,598 14%	3,271,239

Economics

<i>Business Profile (1997)</i>					<i>Top Five Grand List (1997)</i>		
<i>Sector</i>	<i>Firms</i>	<i>% of Total</i>	<i>Emp.</i>	<i>% of Total</i>		<i>Amount</i>	<i>% of Total</i>
Agriculture	20	5.6%	99	3.9%	Connecticut Light & Power Company	\$3,676,350	0.93%
Const. and Mining	85	23.9%	241	9.4%	Connecticut Water Company	\$1,327,930	0.34%
Manufacturing	22	6.2%	248	9.7%	Somers Recreation, Inc.	\$1,126,660	0.28%
Trans. And Utilities	8	2.2%	22	0.9%	Sabir H. & Khalida S. Moghul	\$1,117,070	0.28%
Trade	77	21.6%	279	10.9%	Grower Direct, Inc.	\$1,040,560	0.26%
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	17	4.8%	46	1.8%	Grand List Total (1996)	\$395,324,896	
Services	119	33.4%	572	22.3%	<i>Top Five Major Employers (1997)</i>		
Government	8	2.2%	1,055	41.2%	Conval, Inc.	Grower's Direct, Inc.	
Total	356	100.0%	2,562	100.0%	State of CT Prison	Town of Somers	
					Board of Education		
						<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
					<i>Retail Sales (1996)</i>	\$23,807,794	\$30,837,967,729

Education

<i>1995-1996 School Year</i>				<i>Connecticut Mastery Test Percent Above Goal</i>					
	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>		<i>Grade 4</i>		<i>Grade 6</i>		<i>Grade 8</i>	
Total Students	1,525	461,203		<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
Total Expenditures Per Pupil	\$8,543	\$8,300		Reading	64 55	64 60	70 64		
Average Teacher's Salary	\$48,512	\$48,598		Math	77 59	62 52	69 51		
Students Attending Public School	92.4%	89.2%		Writing	52 46	62 46	71 51		
Student/Teacher Ratio	15.6	14.5							
Grads Pursuing Post-Sec. Education	73.0%	75.8%		<i>Average SAT Score</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>		
High School Dropout Rate	1.7%	4.6%		Verbal		514	503		
<i>Average Class Size</i>				Math		503	499		
Kindergarten 15.7	Grade 2 20.0								
Grade 5 24.2	Grade 7 22.6	High School 19.5							

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